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TWELVE INDICTED IN METHAMPHETAMINE CONSPIRACY

Randy G. Massey, Acting United States Attorney for the Southern District of Illinois, announced today that on October 19, 2006, **BOBBY LEE MORBER**, age 36, **TINA M. PETERSON**, age 34, **RICHARD E. STALLINS**, age 27, **MICHAEL A. ALLGIRE**, age 34, **LAWRENCE K. KENILEY**, age 47, **THOMAS E. BEVINEAU**, age 39, **TIMOTHY KEMPF**, age 36, **JOHN R. LAIRD**, age 54, **JOSH J. JARVIS**, age 23, **KEITH D. KUNZE**, age 27, **KEVIN M. KUNZE**, age 27, and **DOUGLAS M. KRAUS**, age 38, all of St. Clair County, Illinois, were indicted by a Federal Grand Jury sitting in East St. Louis, Illinois, in an eleven-count Indictment. As of November 13, 2006, all Defendants have been arrested and have appeared in federal court.

Count 1 charges that from in or about June 2001 to in or about September 2006, in St. Clair, Clinton and Randolph Counties and elsewhere, **BOBBY LEE MORBER**, **TINA M. PETERSON**, **RICHARD E. STALLINS**, **MICHAEL A. ALLGIRE**, **LAWRENCE K. KENILEY**, **THOMAS E. BEVINEAU**, **TIMOTHY KEMPF**, **JOHN R. LAIRD**, **JOSH J. JARVIS**, **KEITH D. KUNZE**, **KEVIN M. KUNZE**, and **DOUGLAS M. KRAUS** conspired to manufacture, possess with intent to distribute and distribute a mixture and substance containing methamphetamine. The Indictment alleges that the amount of mixture and substance containing methamphetamine involved in the conspiracy exceeds 500 grams.

Count 2 charges **THOMAS E. BEVINEAU** with possession with intent to distribute a mixture and substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine.

Count 3 charges **DOUGLAS M. KRAUS** with possession of products used to manufacture methamphetamine.

Counts 4 and 5 charge **BOBBY LEE MORBER** with possession with intent to distribute a mixture and substance containing methamphetamine, and with possession of products used to manufacture methamphetamine.

Counts 6 and 7 charge **RICHARD E. STALLINS** with being a felon in possession of a firearm, and with possession of products used to manufacture methamphetamine.

Count 8 charges **KEVIN D. KUNZE** and **KEITH M. KUNZE** with possession of products used to manufacture methamphetamine.

Count 9 charges **KEVIN D. KUNZE** with possession of products used to manufacture methamphetamine.

Count 10 charges **MICHAEL A. ALLGIRE** and **TIMOTHY KEMPF** with possession of products used to manufacture methamphetamine.

Count 11 involves forfeiture of all firearms and ammunition by **RICHARD E. STALLINS** if he is convicted of the offense alleged in Count 6.

The conspiracy offense alleged in Count 1 carries a penalty of 10 years to life imprisonment, a fine of up to \$4 million, and a term of 5 years' supervised release.

Count 2 carries a penalty from 5 to 40 years' imprisonment, a fine of up to \$2 million, and at least 4 years' supervised release. The remaining counts each carry a penalty of not more than 10 years' imprisonment, a fine of up to \$250,000, and up to 3 years' supervised release.

An indictment is a formal charge against a defendant. Under the law, a defendant is presumed to be innocent of a charge until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

The investigation was conducted by the Illinois State Police Zone 6 Meth Response Team, the Belleville Police Department, and the Metropolitan Enforcement Group of Southwestern Illinois. Additional assistance was received from the Mascoutah Police Department, Drug Enforcement Administration and the St. Clair County State's Attorney's Office.

The Meth Response Team was created in 2005 to combat methamphetamine on a full-time basis. This is the first federal indictment involving the Meth Response Team in the Southern District of Illinois.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Deirdre A. Durborow.